## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Accompanying Continuation Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b):

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For:

CODE DIVISION MULTIPLE ACCESS MOBILE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 1 and add new claims 12 as set forth below.

--12. A base station used in a code division multiple access mobile communication system, said base station comprising:

a transmitting circuit that transmits a control signal via perch channels, a first section of one slot of said control signal being spread by a long period code assigned to said base station, a second section of said one slot being spread by a first short period code having a spreading factor lower than a spreading factor of said long period code and a second short

